

CITY

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city vote is needed for passage. McCollough also asked the council to consider repairs to Hawkins-Williams Park. He said the 12-year-old buildings are in bad need of repair. He added that the rough bottom on the pool was resulting in many complaints and cut feet. Both need repairing if they are to be used this summer.

He said it is important to keep the kids swimming and playing ball and off the streets during the summer months.

Clark reported the cost of these repairs could be expensive. Nailing some boards back up and painting them with an expensive preservative would get the buildings going.

The cost of the pool repairs got much higher. One verbal bid for just repairs caused by erosion around and under the pool was \$28,400, Clark said. However, he also told council members the pool needs fixing if it is to be used.

Haywood added that if repairs are not made the damage would increase and so would the repair cost.

Clark is to get additional information on repair costs.

Yelverton asked about street and gutter problems on Winston Street. A committee will look at these needs and the available finances before the next council meeting. Committee members are Yelverton, Ben Carpenter and John W. Sharpless.

BOE

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He listed boys varsity football, basketball, baseball and golf.

Jr. Varsity boys play football and basketball.

Girls varsity sports include softball, volleyball and golf while the Jr. varsity girls play softball, volleyball and basketball.

The golf team is largely co-ed, however they might get into competitions where rules call for them to be separated.

Presently the golf team is being coached by two volunteers, Johnny Martin and teacher Lynn Cook. They are doing an excellent job with the team, Stokes said.

The board approved taking of bids on two new buses, even though

the school will only buy one this year. Bids will be received on both a 66 passenger bus and a 72 passenger bus like those bought recently.

Pearce explained there was a possibility the 66 passenger bus would be quite a bit cheaper. The school is getting state monies of \$28,900 to be spent on new buses this year, or it is returned to Montgomery. That is not enough to buy a bus, therefore the board will have to pay the balance.

The board approved a leave of absence for elementary teacher Melanie Waddell for the balance of the school year. They also approved Amy Thomas to fill the vacancy.

At the recommendation of Pearce, the board voted to send letters of

non-renewal to all non-tenured personnel. After the state education budget is approved, teachers will be notified of their status for the coming year.

The board discussed a drainage problem on some adjoining property. Pearce is to get prices on control measures and if it exceeds the cost of the property, the board will purchase the land.

A school calendar for the 1996-97 school year was adopted. Classes will begin on August 13 for students. The last day of school for students will be May 21, 1997.

The final item of business was an executive session to discuss a personnel problem.



1996 LOG A LOAD FOR KIDS...The 1996 Wiregrass District "Log-A-Load For Kids" campaign was kicked off this past Friday with a barbecue lunch at the Alabama River Woodland's chip mill in Elba. Personnel from the area's forestry industry gathered to make donations which go to Children's Hospital of Alabama. Over \$350,000 will be raised statewide by the 1996 "Log-A-Load For Kids" campaign. Making a donation was the first step to go over the \$1,000,000 mark since the campaign started in 1992. Organizers of the area event were Mark Byal of Alabama River Woodlands and Dale Folmar of Pea River Timber Company. Pictured above are some of those attending Friday's luncheon.

CEO

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plants in the world."

Briar addressed the concerns of employees about their job futures, in light of the widely publicized closing of garment plants across the United States. He said, "We're going to stay right here and grow right here."

He added, "The furthest thing from our mind is moving this thing to Honduras or anywhere." He continued, "Not under my watch... we are not cutting anybody."

Kleinert's recently purchased a company with plants in South Florida and Honduras. Briar explained that the two companies would complement each other. The new company has sales outlets which Kleinert's can utilize with current products. The new company makes a different type product and can use

the buying power and skills of the Kleinert's staff to put out a better product at a more competitive price.

Kleinert's has been making blanket sleepers for 25 years and "we are good at it," said Briar. He told of situations where retail companies like the Kleinert's product and it sold well but wanted the lower prices of imports. Briar said management recognizes the competitive nature of the world we are in and are willing to compete in it.

With a combined effort of all departments, they were able to not only meet the prices, but secure larger orders. Briar said the company's success is due to the company's ability to concentrate on productivity increases to help the company stay competitive.

Stressing he was not advocating a sweatshop environment, the CEO said the \$14 million overhead in the Elba plant (not sewing) was an area in which they were working to get more productivity without increasing their dollars invested. "Each one must do their job better, not harder but better," said the boss in closing.

Tapping on the mound

The University of Alabama honored students of 1995-96 for scholarship and leadership on Friday, April 12, 1996 during Tapping on the Mound, the highlight of UA's Annual Honors Day.

Outstanding student awards for each class year were sponsored by the Coordinating Council of Honor Societies. Heather Stinson of Elba, AL received the Outstanding Junior Award.

Heather was also tapped for membership in the Anderson Society, Blue Key National Honor Society, Mortar Board, and Omicron Delta Kappa.

Heather is a member of Alpha Delta Pi Sorority where she will



News Among Our Service Folks

Navy Lt. Cmdr. Scott E. Smith, whose wife, Connie, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Carpenter of Elba, AL, recently graduated from Naval War College in Newport, RI, and was awarded a Master of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies.

The 1977 graduate of St. Andrews High School of Shawheeh, TN, joined the Navy in August 1981. Smith is a 1981 graduate of Auburn University of Auburn, AL with a BA degree.

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ELBA POLICE CHIEF BRUCE PEACOCK ASKED TO HAND IN BADGE AND BEEPER

Elba City Council fires chief of police effective immediately

By Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council held what was billed as an open forum hearing Tuesday evening on complaints of the professional conduct of Elba Police Chief Bruce Peacock.

A large number of interested citizens were in attendance at the meeting, including off duty police officers and a host of news media members.

Mayor Ricky Haywood opened the meeting by explaining he had talked with the chief following the last council meeting and found the complaints council members had heard were not accurate.

He said that the chief asked him about writing a letter to each council member. The mayor said he had encouraged the chief to do so.

Apparently the results of an executive session of the council on Monday night, April 15th was a request for the chief's resignation. In a memo to members of the city council, dated Tuesday, April 16th, Peacock wrote, "Major Haywood informed me last night that the council wants my resignation as Chief of Police. To me, resignation means that a person is guilty of a wrongdoing and is a way out for it. I have done nothing wrong as Chief of Police, and do not intend to resign. However, I would like for you to consider an open forum discussion on the issues that you brought forth in an executive session on Monday night April 15th, 1996 so that I may have the opportunity for any worthy re-



CHIEF BRUCE PEACOCK

butal."

The mayor then explained the format for the open forum. He noted only city council members and city officials would be allowed to speak.

However, before any action began on the scheduled hearing, council member Earl McCollough made a motion to go into executive session. Mayor Haywood opposed the action and said he wouldn't honor the meeting. The mayor said Peacock's request for an open forum leads credibility to his contentions that he is innocent.

Council member Ben Carpenter asked for a minute to confer with the city attorney and returned telling McCollough to make his motion

again, which Carpenter promptly seconded.

The mayor then said that before a vote was taken he wanted to clarify his position. He explained that at the last council meeting, during executive session, he was asked to request the chief's resignation.

Haywood said that after the meeting he went out and spent two hours with Chief Peacock and talked with him at length about the allegations. He told the council the chief said he wasn't guilty and wasn't going to resign.

The mayor then said he was going to call Chief Peacock forward to address the allegations.

Carpenter reminded the mayor there was a motion and second on the executive session and he wanted an immediate vote.

The council member explained the change from the announced plans for the open forum hearing as, "The man had not been suspended nor fired, and until that happens, he was not legally entitled to a hearing of any kind."

Haywood instructed City Clerk Henry Clark to take the vote, but Council member John W. Sharpless requested to address the city attorney first.

He asked City Attorney Jeff Kelley about Robert's Rules of Order which the city tries to follow during their meetings. The attorney said there was a motion on the floor which needed to be voted on.

The council members voted for the motion and the mayor voted no. The 5-1 vote carried and the council

went into the executive session.

That closed door session lasted from 6:25 to 6:37.

Following that closed session, Carpenter made a motion to terminate the chief immediately. The

Carpenter said "The man had not been suspended nor fired, and until that happens, he was not legally entitled to a hearing of any kind."

The motion read as follows: "I make a motion to terminate the employment of Chief Peacock immediately based upon:

1. Conduct detrimental to good order and discipline of the Police

Department.

2. Incompetency

3. Malfeasance, Misfeasance and Nonfeasance of his duties."

The council members all voted for the motion to terminate and Haywood voted no.

Haywood told Peacock he could proceed with his request for an open forum but he would probably find no questions would be answered until his formal hearing is held.

Kelley then spoke up and said that Peacock had requested this hearing and if he wanted to move forward with his due process hearing at this time and waive any further notice of the charges, the council is ready and willing to go forward and proceed with the hearing and if not they are willing to schedule the hearing at another time.

Attorney William Gill spoke up and identified himself as Peacock's attorney. He said Peacock wanted his due process rights observed and

specific written notice of each and every charge that has been made against him and an opportunity to defend against each and every charge made against him. He requested a formal termination hearing

and the opportunity to cross examine those individuals making the allegations. He added they believed the charges were without merit and without basis.

The mayor said the hearing would be granted. He asked the two attorneys to see Chief, Page 14

Wilson then explained to the attorney that the council wanted Peacock's badge and beeper before he left the meeting.

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Commission approves cotton gin bonds

by Marvin McLwain - Editor

The Enterprise City Council has already given its approval for the bond issue to fund the construction of a cotton gin to be operated by Coffee Gin Company. The estimated cost of the facility is \$4.8 million.

The cotton gin will be built on a portion of land located at the intersection of Three Notch and Bellwood roads.

It is necessary for the county commission - in addition to the Enterprise City Council - to pass a resolution approving the bond issue before the money going toward the construction of a new cotton gin.

The city's industrial board wants to issue up to \$6 million in bonds to build the gin. The city is located outside the city.

First, he requested that the manager of the New Hope Senior Citizens' Center be sent to a management seminar at Auburn University. The cost is approximately \$200. This was approved.

Secondly, Creel presented a request from his constituents that a portion of Co. Rd. 110 (from AL Hwy. 125 to Co. Rd. 105) be named Charles Ray Alcorn Road.

Alcorn, was killed in the line of duty while serving with the Ozark said Westbrook.

Dr. Alford commented that the tax-exempt status is nothing new.

"It is quite normal to exempt manufacturing facilities from non-educational taxes," he said.

Commissioner Ernest Brooks praised Alford and the industrial board for bringing the new industry to the county.

"It's a wonderful thing, and it will be a big asset for the whole county, especially the agricultural industry," said Brooks.

Turning to other business, Commissioner Lawrence Creel presented two matters to the commissioner for consideration.

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HEATHER STINSON

serve as Rush Chairman for the 1996-97 college year. She is the daughter of David and Jackie Stinson of Elba and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stinson of Elba.

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Robert Stephens seeking third term on county commission

Robert G. Stephens, now serving his tenth year as a member of the Coffee County Commission, made it official on qualifying day, March 16, that he would seek re-election for a third full term on the commission from District 3.

Stephens, a lifelong resident of Coffee County, was appointed as the District 3 commissioner in 1986 following the sudden death of Billy Paul Owens, and in 1988 was elected to a full four-year term.

Stephens is a veteran of World War II, having served four years in the U.S. Air Force as a pilot, including eighteen months overseas. He saw action flying combat missions over Germany and Austria.

Stephens is a retired businessman and farmer, and is a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Elba. He is also an active member of the Elba Lions Club, Alabama Cattlemen's Association, American Legion, and Alabama Farmers Federation.

He is married to the former Martha Frances Dowling, also a lifelong resident of Coffee County.

"I have worked hard for the citizens of this district and all the citizens of Coffee County during the ten years I have served on the county commission," stated Commissioner Stephens.

"I feel that I will be able to better serve the county residents with my experience and increased knowledge of county government," he continued.

"I pledge to be honest, conservative, yet progressive, and to be responsive to all the citizens of District 3. I will always remember that the office of commissioner belongs to the people and does not belong to me, and I will always work for the wishes and what is best for the people," Stephens said.



ROBERT STEPHENS

Commissioner Stephens, in making his formal announcement to seek re-election, stated he would like to see a special emphasis placed on the county highway system, and vowed to continue working diligently to make Coffee County a better place to live and raise a family.

"I would like to see a dedicated effort made to insure that everyone in the county has a paved, or all-weather road, on which to travel," said Stephens.

"I don't believe we should spend all our tax dollars on interstate highways, when right here in Coffee County we have people who have their cars slip off dirt roads and into ditches while they are trying to get to work or take their children to school."

Commissioner Stephens proudly pointed to many improvements achieved during his tenure.

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American Cancer Society's Relay for Life scheduled

by Marvin McLwain - Editor

The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life is slated for Friday, May 17, from 7:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m. Saturday, May 18.

Once again this year's event will be held at Enterprise State Junior College on the athletic field.

This is a fun-filled and exciting 12-hour team relay where each participant is encouraged to raise at least \$100 prior to the celebration.

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** HAPPENINGS **

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Recently we overheard a TV promo for a segment on the morning news show about a two year old girl who was a genius. We didn't stay around to watch the "news" for a couple of reasons, mostly because that isn't news to us. We meet parents and grandparents every day who are perfectly willing (and justified) to tell us about their young genius ... and we probably already knew it, from a friend or neighbor! In fact, you can often see pictures of these smart young minds right here on the pages of this newspaper ... and they are good looking as well as smart. This reminds me of the old program on educational radio from that place in Minnesota where, "all the women were good looking and all the children above average." We know about people and places like that, 'cause they read this newspaper.

School folks moving around continues. Rex Bryan has accepted the position as Superintendent of the Geneva City Schools, effective shortly. Rex is another "Elba boy done good" and will be a credit to anything he is associated with. We salute him and congratulate the people of Geneva ... they also "done good." Rex is presently serving as superintendent in Lanett and has worked in Daleville and Enterprise. He will replace a retiring superintendent.

Another school move is Coffee County Superintendent Clayton Bryant. He will officially resign tonight (Thursday) to accept the super's job at Andalusia High. That school system called a retired educator back to work a couple of years ago and is just now filling the position permanently.

The legislative bill to eliminate the need for pistol permits in Alabama is officially dead. Representative Garth Moore's bill created a bushel of debate and emotions before being killed in committee. Actually, we understand the committee didn't vote on Moore's bill, but voted to table it and a bunch of others indefinitely. With this legislative session fast running out, there is little chance he can get it revived this year.

The City of Elba business still ain't settled down. Occasionally we hear people comment that it seems to be a bit quieter, but then it explodes again. Right now the division between the mayor and the council is over the police chief. The council wants a change and the mayor is defending the man he recommended for the position.

It is a battle royal in Montgomery this week as opposing sides debate the bill which will prevent business, industry and residents from purchasing electricity from an out-of-state utility. Those in favor contend it could save them money. Opponents say it would leave those still using the old utility's services holding the bag for investments. We are confused. Some mighty good folks oppose the bill, which on the surface appears to be good for business. Competition is good for everyone ... except me, seems to be the position of the utilities. The complaint that "outsiders" could come in and sell cheap power is confusing ... it cost them as much or more to build power plants as it does Alabama utilities, so how could they come in and sell so much cheaper? That is unless Alabama users are being ripped off now. Again, we note our confusion, because some folks we trust and admire are strongly supporting this bill to keep out the "outsiders."

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ELBA MAYOR RICKY HAYWOOD signed two proclamations at the Elba Head Start last week. One was proclaiming April as "Hug Your Child Month." The second was proclaiming April 22-26 as "Week of the Young Child."

In the above photo, Haywood is shown with students and staff members of the Head Start Program in Elba.

ELBA POLICE REPORT

APRIL 16 Thru APRIL 22, 1996

The Elba Police Department, beginning Tuesday, April 16, 1996, investigated the following incidents: theft of property - vehicle, three burglaries, four criminal mischiefs, two thefts of property, two menaces, four assaults, one forgery, one public intoxication, two burglaries, and one DUI.

Arrests made during the week were as follows: one for escape, one for theft of property, two for resisting arrest, and one for public intoxication.

The following traffic citations were issued during the week: two for speeding, one for reckless driving, two for DUI, one for driving without a driver's license, one for driving while license is suspended, one for driving on the wrong side of the road, and one for failure to properly restrain child.

Daily activity highlights were as follows:
TUESDAY, APRIL 16 - River stage - 15.92 feet (6:36 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Hickman Ave. (9:58 a.m.); Possible disturbance at Burch's Trailer Court (9:10 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17 - Rescue run to residence on Brunson Circle (1:28 a.m.); River stage - 12.62 feet (5:30 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on AL Hwy. 87N (10:43 a.m.); Rescue run to a wreck on AL Hwy. 84W (3:34 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on N. Claxton Ave. (6:37 p.m.).

THURSDAY, APRIL 18 - River stage - 11.12 (6:20 a.m.); Fight reported at Mullins Apts. (6:26 p.m.); Alarm at Nasco Equip. (8:27 p.m.).

FRIDAY, APRIL 19 - River stage - 10.11 feet (6:21 a.m.); Disturbance reported on Powell's Circle (7:35 a.m.); Alarm at The Jewel Box (6:56 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Co. Rd. 410 (9:17 p.m.); Disturbance (loud music) at Elba Villas (11:04 p.m.).

MAKING OURSELVES CLEARER

The Elba Clipper wants to correct errors that appear in this newspaper. Any reader wishing to point out our errors, whether oral or those of our sources, should contact the editor at 897-2825. Clarifications will appear promptly in this space.

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WATER & ELECTRIC - 2nd Mon. 5:15 p.m. - City Hall (after City Council meeting).
COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION - 2nd & 4th Mondays of each month - Community Room in Fann Center Complex @ New Brockton.
LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizens Center.
ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thurs. 5:30 p.m. - Supp. Office.
AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd & 4th Tues. 7:00 p.m. - Rescue Squad Building.
MASONIC LODGE 178 - 1st & 3rd Mondays of each month - 7 p.m.
BAND BOOSTERS - 1st Mon. 7 p.m. - Band Room @ Elba High School.
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COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS - AS-N. 3rd Tues. 3 p.m. - Club House.
COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN 3rd Wed. Noon - Galaxy Inn, Enterprise.
AIRPORT AUTHORITY 1st Tuesdays - 12 Noon - City Hall Conference Room.
AARP Meet every 3rd Tuesday night of the month.
CIVIL AIR PATROL Every Monday 7:00 p.m. - Elba Airport-Division hangar.

GRANDPARENTS DAY
At
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ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following persons admitted during the time period of April 16 through April 22, 1996.

They were: Clifton Matthews, Selma McCurley, Button Bryant, Annie Campbell, Allen Johnson, Zerral Barnes, Glenda Weeks, Melinda Jones, Clyde Johnson, Mildred Williams, Daphne Colvin, Lizzie Pope, Mary L. Daniels, Mary Senn, Susan Fleming, Charles Beck, Wilburn Taylor, Melanese Shipman, Richard Cooks, Willard Head, Manuel Weeks, Robert Watley, Ke Sasser, Mary Blue, Ethel Abernombie, Lois Bostic, and Adell Queen.

Patients discharged during the same period of time were: Mark Davis, Cynthia Hudson, Melissa Hughes, Selma McCurley, Melinda Jones, Glenda Weeks, Trudie Jackson, Allen Johnson, Lizzie Pope, Daphne Colvin, Zerral Barnes, Mary Daniels, Charles Beck, and Button Bryant.

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Since it currently takes the average taxpayer about 12 hours to file a standard 1040, it is no wonder that frustrations and anxieties run high. When you factor in the possibility of erroneous advice from government tax experts and the IRS's own mistakes, you have a real potential for unintended mistakes.

The IRS itself is not above error. A recent government audit of the tax agency found that it cannot account for as much as \$10.4 billion in taxpayer dollars it says it collected! Believing that the average tax-

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OBITUARIES

ARTHUR JAMES LAWSON

Arthur James Lawson, age 90 of Warner Robbins, Georgia, died Friday, April 19, 1996 in Peachtree Nursing Home.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m., Monday, April 22, 1996 from the Bethany Baptist Church Cemetery of Elba, Alabama with Rev. Joe Graham officiating. Hayes Funeral Home of Elba, AL directed the services.

Survivors include two sons, Charles F. Lawson of Warner Robbins, GA and Jimmy Lawson of Phenix City, AL; four daughters, Christine McCullough, Eloise Mosley, and Jenny Sue Adams, all of Montgomery, AL, and Linda Chavira of Omaha, Nebraska.

Pallbearers were his grandchildren: Charles D. Lawson, James A. Lawson, Greg Mosley, Brian Mosley, Ruple Lawson, and John McCullough.

RONALD (RONNIE) BACON

Ronald (Ronnie) Bacon, age 13 of Enterprise, Alabama, died Friday, April 19, 1996 in a Birmingham, AL hospital.

Funeral services were held at 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 24, 1996 from the St. Paul's MB Church of Enterprise, AL.

Burial followed in the church cemetery with Virgil Coleman Mortuary directing.

Survivors include his mother, Wilma P. Bacon of Enterprise, AL; his father, Ronald Bacon of Louisiana; one sister, Erika Bacon of Enterprise, AL; one brother, Elliott Bacon of Enterprise, AL; grandparents, Willie B. and Daisy R. Pease of Tuskegee, AL and Artis and Melba Bacon of Pinebluff, Arizona; 10 uncles; 4 aunts; a host of other relatives and friends.

NADINE GRIMES McCALL

Mrs. Nadine Grimes McCall, age 78, of the Goodman Community, died Tuesday, April 23, in Birmingham, AL.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete at press time, but may be obtained from Searcy Funeral Home of Enterprise.

Among Mrs. McCall's survivors is a son, Van McCall of Elba.

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SouthTrust declares cash dividend

The Board of Directors of SouthTrust Corporation declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$.22 per share. The dividend is payable July 1, 1996, to stockholders of record at the close of business May 31, 1996.

SouthTrust Corporation common stock is traded on the national over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol SOTR.

National Security declares cash dividend

The Board of Directors of the National Security Group, Inc., declared a quarterly dividend of \$.16 per share at its meeting on April 18, 1996. This represents an annual indicated dividend rate of \$.64 per share. This cash dividend is payable on May 31, 1996, to shareholders of record May 6, 1996.

With its home office in Elba, Alabama, the National Security Group, Inc., is an insurance holding company. Its shares are traded in the over-the-counter market under the NASDAQ symbol NSEC.



LITTLE MISS ELBA CONTESTANTS... Pictured above are the contestants for the Little Miss Elba Pageant. They are (front row, l to r) Anna Petty, Courtney Priddy, Whitney Kilcrease, Hannah Hall, Brianna Bailey, (back row, l to r) Haley Stinson, Janie Fudge, Nicole Boswell, Melanie Mulaz, Kimberly Martindale, and Courtney Senn. The Little Miss Elba Pageant is set for Saturday, May 4, 1996 at 3:00 p.m. at the Elba High School Auditorium.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I live on Adkinson Street, right off 84. We have about 12 children that live on that block off Putnam, Adkinson, and 84 (Davis Street). The way the cars speed down Adkinson Street from one stop sign to the other is just unbelievable. We have complained about it over and over and nothing is done about it.

Well, Sunday night my daughter's pet cat was hit by a car that was going so fast it didn't even stop at the stop sign on 84 and Adkinson. I wish the person who hit her pet cat (Simba) was to be the one to tell her. People, there are so many children play in this neighborhood that next time, God help us all, it could be a child instead of a pet. We have asked for signs on our street, but nothing has been done. So when you drive on Adkinson Street, please slow down and drive safely for our children's sake.

Pleading,
Betty Homyak
Elba, AL

Dear Editor:

This letter will be short and simple. That's because the issue it addresses is short and simple.

There is a bill before the Alabama legislature (\$306) that serves one purpose and one purpose only. It prevents the average Alabama consumer from having to pay higher electricity prices if some big companies are allowed to escape the responsibility for investments made specifically to serve them.

Contrary to some information that has surrounded the issue, this bill does not deregulate the electric utilities in Alabama. It does not prevent competition. It does not burden any customer with unfair fees if cheaper power can be found. And in no way will it endanger the state's economic development process.

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NOTICE

Clayton Davis, Legal Aid Officer, will be at the Elba Senior Citizens Center on Tuesday, May 7, 1996 at 11:30 a.m.

To whom it may concern:

I am writing your newspaper to express my concern over Senator Dial's proposed lottery legislation. I do not understand why any citizen of the State of Alabama would stand in the way of a lottery in this state. Many of us play the Georgia and Florida lotteries weekly. As I understand it, Florida has the most successful lottery in the nation, and has placed millions of dollars into their education system. I further understand the Georgia lottery system is providing a tuition-free college education to those students maintaining a B+ average. Imagine the growth impact in these states as new industry finds a better educated environment. Those of us that are parents can only imagine what a relief it must be to forego the worry associated with paying for college tuition.

Senator Gerald Dial has introduced a legislative package that once passed for all will allow the people of this state to decide a better education system for our children. Even Governor Fob James, a long time supporter of the initiative and referendum movement, cannot argue with the merit of Senator Dial's constitutional amendment approach nor can he factually dispute the economic outcome of an Alabama state lottery.

I am concerned that anti-lottery forces, once again, will tout their usual gambling rhetoric and we will never have the opportunity to see the economic benefits our neighbors share. When these forces unleash their facts and figures, please take time to consider that their analysis cannot be compared to the state of Alabama, as we do not have a lottery.

Please join me in supporting Senator Dial and the children of the State of Alabama.

Thank you for your time,
Lynn Yates
6029 Mockingbird Lane
Pinson, AL 35126

Dear Mr. Cox:

April 21-27 is Public School Week across the nation. As an educator for twenty-nine years, I have spent most of my life in public schools. Therefore, nothing pleases me more than to see success stories relating to public education. Almost weekly the Clipper has articles about former Elba students - who are leaders and achievers making a positive impact on college campuses. Just as often, I read about students who have graduated and are working in a myriad of careers or professions - doctors, engineers, computer wizards, nurses, business executives, plant supervisors, and teachers. I feel a deep sense of humility and pride in learning that most of these "products" of public education in Elba make more money than I do, have traveled the world much more than I, have opened new avenues in their field or reached the top in their professions and are still proud to call Elba home. Though public schools often take a "beating," I don't think anyone who reads the local news articles can debate the importance of public schools in the lives of our children.

During Public School Week, I offer a special tribute to the faculty and staff of Elba Elementary School and of Elba High School who have made countless contributions to the children and youth of our school community. I am grateful for their dedication to the education profession. I feel especially blessed to have been associated with the wonderful teachers, administrators, and support staff of Elba Elementary School for so many years. May God continue to use us as we work together to provide the very best public education for the students of Elba.

Sincerely yours,
Judy Killingsworth
Curriculum Supervisor
Elba Elementary School

She bathed you
And fed you and clothed you, and held you, and hugged you and stayed awake with you and cried asleep with you. She watched you, and played with you. Cried with you. Really, all she did was love you and love you and love you.
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Miss Brown & Mr. Mitchell

Miss Brown & Mr. Mitchell plan May wedding

Mrs. Cheryl Morrow of Elba, announces the wedding of her daughter, Kimberly H. Brown, also of Elba, to Charlie H. Mitchell of Wilkinstown. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Mitchell, also of Wilkinstown.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. Jack Lee Jr. and the late Mae Lee of Elba.

The groom is the grandson of Ruth Mitchell and the late Woodrow Mitchell. Also the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Richards.

The wedding will take place May 3, 1996 at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Cheryl Morrow. A reception will follow. All friends and relatives are invited.

Destiny Desiree Brown receives TSU Scholarship



Destiny Brown

Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., chancellor of the Troy State University System, announced today that Destiny Desiree Brown of Elba, AL, is the recipient of the Excellence in Leadership Award.

Brown will be a 1996 graduate of Elba High School. She is the daughter of Gary and Debbie Brown.

Since the late 1960s, Troy State University has awarded academic and leadership scholarships to outstanding high school and junior college graduates who have excelled in academics and/or displayed leadership in various academic-related pursuits.

Elba Head Start to have art festival

Elba Head Start will be having a children's art festival on Thursday, April 25, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the Head Start Center located next to SouthTrust Bank. The public is invited to attend.

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Annual Moore Reunion held

Once again, the sons and daughters of the late Robert H. and Allie Mae Moore held their annual family reunion on Friday, April 12, Saturday, April 13, and Sunday, April 14, 1996 at 6:00 p.m. at the home of H. Moore of Pensacola, FL and was held at "Camp Dixie" near Josephine, AL. All six of the brothers and sisters were present. The oldest member of the family is a brother, Clarence H. Moore, who is 87.

Everyone enjoyed themselves by either playing dominoes, cards, or board games, or by looking at family photograph albums.

Where the "Moore" name came from and were told many facts about ancestors by Dr. Moore. Dr. Moore has recently studied the family history and could tell everyone many facts about their ancestors. It was so enlightening and all enjoyed it.

Over the 3 day period it was not soot eating and all the food was delicious.

Family members in attendance were: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Moore of Glenwood, AL; Dr. and Mrs. James H. Moore and Rachel of Pensacola, FL; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry McWaters of Brundidge, AL; Miss Haley Flowers of Jack, AL; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore and Mandy of Cantonment, FL; Mrs. Onie Dawson of Brewton, AL; Mrs. Jewell Mallory of Brundidge, AL; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moore of Elba, AL; Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Moore of New Orleans, LA; Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Moore of Luling, LA; Mr. and Mrs. Timothy C. Moore of Mandeville, LA; Ms. Arlene Moore of Fonti of Marrero, LA; and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Talmadge of Conyers, GA.

Nine guests were in attendance. Hosts and hostesses for the May meeting will be Mr. and Mrs. John Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Lee.

Mrs. Evelyn Houtt was appointed as chairman of the condolence committee. Mrs. Olive Martin conducted the business meeting.

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AARP Chapter holds monthly meeting

The AARP Chapter held its monthly meeting at the Senior Citizens building on Tuesday, April 16, 1996.

Mr. Charles Kennett gave the invocation after which a delicious meal was served to the members and guests.

A very informative program was presented by Sheriff Ben Moates. He reported on the duties and regulations of his office and how he and his staff members were there to protect each citizen of Coffee County.

Deputy Jack Herber, introduced Ferro, the drug dog. They displayed how the dog was trained to find and seize the drugs, as well as protect the officers.

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Fifty years, a lifetime of loving, caring and sharing

Some people feel that Friday 13th is unlucky, but for a Montgomery couple, it was a very lucky day. This lucky day was the wedding day for John and Betty Greene. They were married on this day in 1946.

Elba, a small town in South Alabama, was the home to both John and Betty. The Greene's have one daughter, Betty Woodson, son, law, John Woodson, and two granddaughters, Amy, a student at Auburn University, and Alyson, a student at Montgomery's Catholic High School.

World War II had just ended and victorious troops were heading home, and 2.3 million couples were heading down the aisle. An astonishing rate of 16.4 of every 1,000 people in the nation got married in 1946, a rate unmatched before or since.

And now, those couples who danced to the music of Glenn Miller, loved Myrna Loy, and bought bread for 10¢ a loaf are celebrating 50th wedding anniversaries in great numbers. Through it all, the knot they tied have held fast for John and Betty and for many reasons: their love and commitment, their hardworking upbringings, the expectations and mores of their times. Marriage of 50 years reflect the whole ethos of that society-cooperation, team work, and following through on the long term promise. You did it, you built it, and that commitment was forever.

The couples who are celebrating this great event are a real stick-to-it generation and this has carried over in their marriages. To honor the 50th anniversary of John and Betty, a reception was held at the Ridgecrest Baptist Church on April 13, 1996, given by their children and grandchildren and family. Granddaughters Amy and Alyson welcomed guests at the door by passing out special bookmarks thanking friends and family for sharing in this special event.

A beautiful three-tiered cake was designed with a 50th anniversary ornament and fresh flowers. Delicious Easterling, catered, served many delicious goodies, including a beautiful fruit cascade, veggies with dip, sandwich trays and Swedish meatballs.



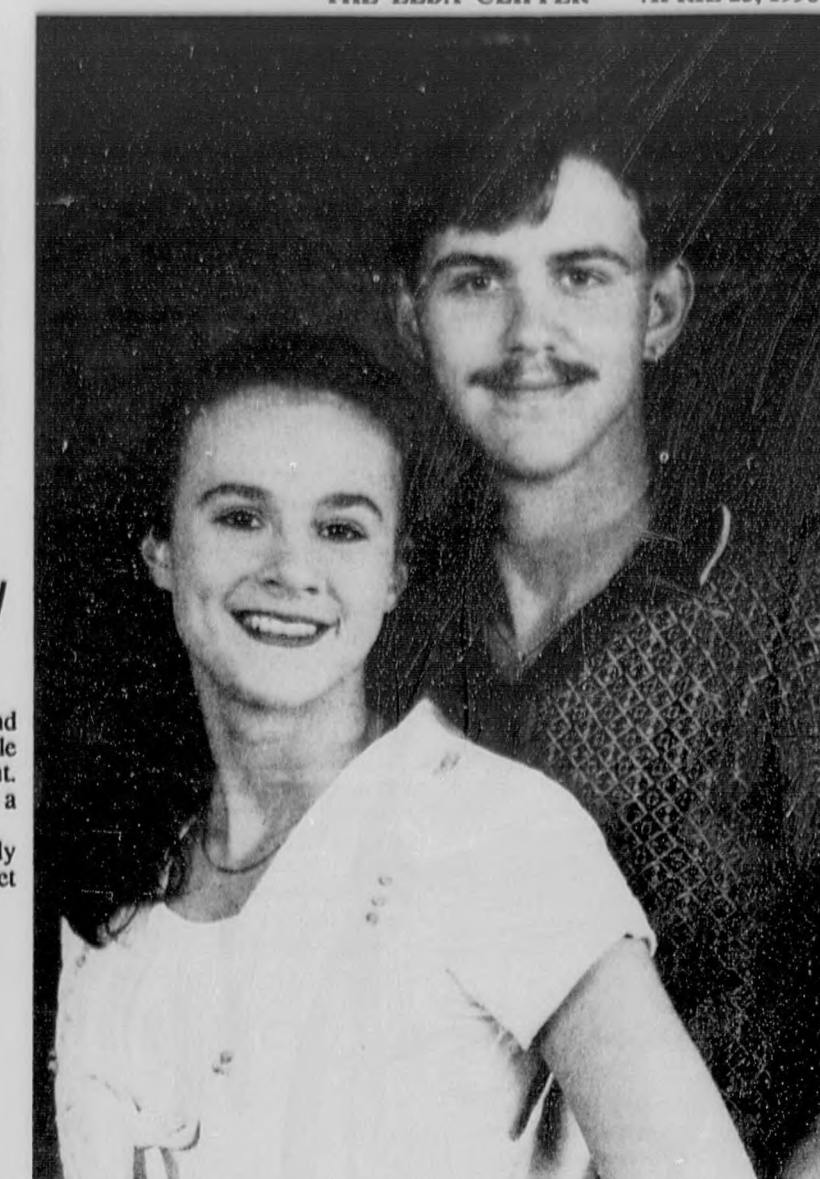
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Miss Cotton & Mr. Wambles

Cotton-Wambles wedding set for April 27th

Ronnie and Paula Cotton of Jack announce the engagement of their daughter, Marsha Adrienne Cotton, to John Patrick Wambles of Level Plains, son of Monty and Dorothy Wambles of Level Plains.

The wedding is planned for April 27, 1996 at 2:00 p.m. at Dorcas Baptist Church in the Chestnut Grove Community. A reception will follow in the church fellowship hall. All friends and family are invited to attend.

The future bridegroom is the grandson of Elouise Killingsworth and the late John D. Killingsworth of New Hope and the late John Hubert Wambles of Jack.

The wedding is planned for April 27, 1996 at 2:00 p.m. at Dorcas Baptist Church in the Chestnut Grove Community. A reception will follow in the church fellowship hall. All friends and family are invited to attend.

Mart Gray is guest speaker at Twentieth Century Study Club recently

The Twentieth Century Study Club met April 11, 1996 at the Elba Public Library with Betty Brunson and Carolyn Brunson, as co-hosts.

The president, Carolyn Brunson, called the meeting to order and led the members in the reading of the Club's Collect. The roll was called and minutes of the March meeting were read and approved. Old and new business was discussed.

Mrs. Grace Taylor introduced Mr. Mart Gray, Music Director of the First Baptist Church. Mr. Gray is an avid photo hobbyist. He shared with the members some candid photography tips from the kinds of cameras he uses to take his pictures. He gave a most interesting and informative program. The hostesses served a delicious dessert plate to 12 members and one guest.



JEWISH RABBI LARRY MAHLER from Temple Emanu-El, in Dothan, led members of the Elba United Methodist Church through an authentic kosher Passover Seder Meal on Wednesday night, April 10th. Shown above discussing some of the Jewish religious customs with Rabbi Mahler are from left Katie Vaughan, Mrs. Sammy Morrow and Mrs. Janice Clark.

Senior Citizens of Cordelia Street hold weekly meeting

Members of the Senior Citizens of Cordelia Street are still alive and kicking. We have laid back long enough-let's get back on the ball. All members and those who want to be members are encouraged to meet with us at the HRDC building on Factory Street. We meet each Thursday and have a covered dish lunch. Our meeting on April 18 was the kick off day. Each member please bring your craft or be able to show us how to do it. There will be various people to help those who want to know how. Let's enjoy each other. A delicious lunch was served to the following: Bonnie Wesley, Zeddy Bouyer, Mary Sudley, Iris McDowell, Frank and Lennie McCollough, Aileen English, Frances Shabo, James Cole, Cora McBride, Elaine Tucker, Wanda Sasser. We miss our leading lady, Merle Boiling.

Revival services will be held at The Shiloh Baptist Church Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, May 1-3. Services will begin at 7:00 nightly.

Andy Bryan will be the visiting evangelist, and will be ministering in music & message.

Rev. Campbell Sasser is the minister at Shiloh Baptist.

Everyone is invited to attend these services.

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Thinking of you, praying for you, Mrs. Mary A. Blue, Mrs. Melanese Shipman, Mrs. Annie Head, Mrs. Gladys Mincey, Mr. W.H. Caldwell, Mr. Charles Hightower, Mrs. Johnnie M. Daniels, Mrs. Lillian Tanks, Mr. Luc Head, Mr. John E. (Ben) Folmar, Mrs. Iris Tanks, Mrs. Vick E. Lindsey, Mrs. Sarah Magwood, Mr. John D. Caldwell.

There will be a Gospel Singing at The Mt. Olive Baptist Church at Pine Level Saturday, April 27th, at 7:00 p.m.

The group that will be in concert will be The Fred Smith Family. Everyone is invited to attend!

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Senior Citizens Day will be Sunday, May 12, at Mt. Calvary

Senior Citizens Day will be held Sunday, May 12, 1996 at Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, beginning after 3:00 p.m. Guest minister will be Rev. A.R. Williams, pastor of Rocky Head MB Church of Elba, AL and Shiloh Baptist Church of Tarentum, AL.

Church Directory

<p>IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN</p> <p>THE ELBA MINISTRIAL ASSOCIATION MEETS EACH WEEK AT 11:45</p> <p>HOUR OF TRUTH - WED 1259 AM - 1:30-2:00 P.M. - Sun. Rev. James Rodgers</p> <p>12:05 - 12:20 P.M. - Bill Beck</p> <p>ALBERTSON BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. John W. McCremmen Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH Johnny Faddino Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH A.O. Marts Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Supper 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST R.H. Hill Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 12:00 noon Sat. 2nd, 4th Sundays</p> <p>DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH Faron Golden Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH Donna Martin Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Training Union 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST - Bill Beck, MINISTER Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Truth-Sunday-Wed. 9:15 a.m. Truth-Mon-Fri. Wed. 12:15 p.m.</p> <p>THE SHEPHERD'S WELB CHURCH OF GOD Lamar Dean Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY J.E. Wesley Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Sunday Afternoon 5:30 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE NACLES J. Porter Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD Billy J. Reed Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:30 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Supper 7:00 p.m. Youth Service - Wed. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Robert Paul Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Supper 7:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 6:15 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Al Moore Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:30 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Supper 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Bernard Strickland Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC Patsy W. R. Elliott Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:30 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Supper 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIVING WORD PENTECOSTAL CHURCH Ron & Mary Simeon - Pastors Sunday 9:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Supper 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>KINSTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. W. R. R. Elliott Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIVING WORD PENTECOSTAL CHURCH Ron & Mary Simeon - Pastors Sunday 9:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Supper 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST Greg Hatcher - Minister Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Shirley Ellis Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>HERBON BAPTIST CHURCH Frank Lowery Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD Wesley D. Ard Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>INO BAPTIST CHURCH Garry Winstead Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Supper 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD Rev. Walter Fausk Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Supper 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH J.R. Parks - Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Billy P. McCollough - Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH Richard Moss Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Class 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>MULBERRY HOTS CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MUSTARD SEED FOUNDATION Mary Seavey Sunday Morning Services 10:30 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Supper 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL. Hinda Williams Sunday 10:00 a.m. Sun. Even. 7:30 p.m. Wed. 1st & 3rd Sundays 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH Leola Flowers Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship 12:00 p.m. Wed. 4th Sundays 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ROCKY HEAD MB CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:30 a.m.</p> <p>ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH W.K. Fuller Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 10:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>SEABOARD BAPTIST CHURCH Raymond Mendenhall Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WIDE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Kenneth Haddox Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST Seaborn Wooten Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Raymond Mendenhall Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ZION COUNTRY CHURCH Richard and Pat Jones Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Thursday Serv. 7:00 p.m.</p>
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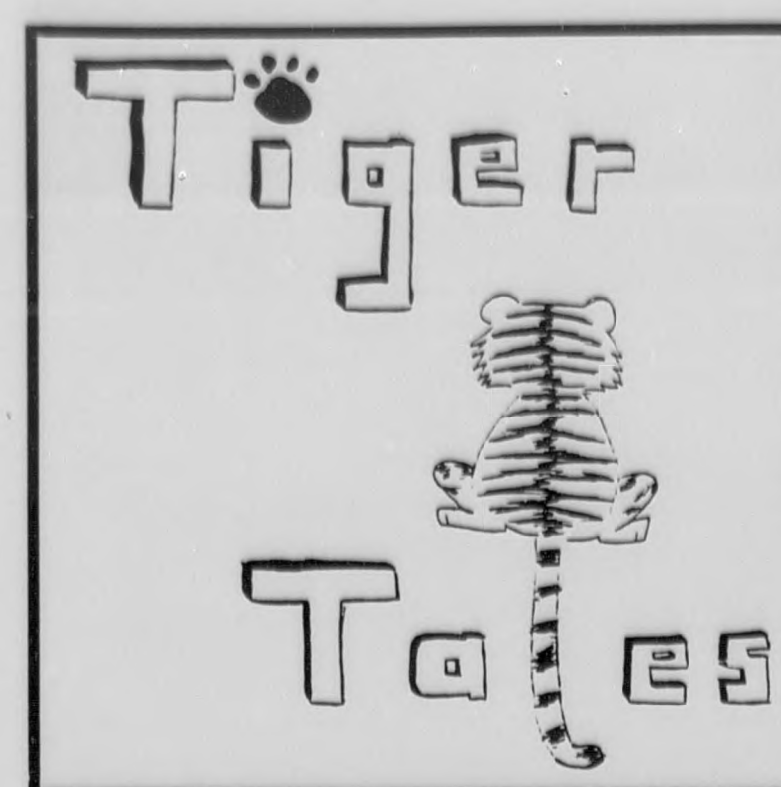
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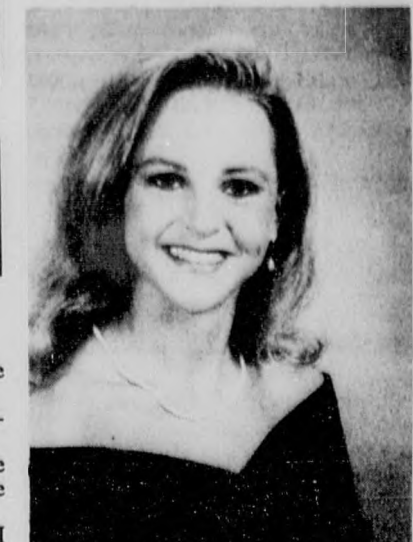
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ATTC Presents Program

The U.S. Army Aviation Technical Test Center (ATTC) at Fort Rucker tests aviation systems and components before they are accepted into the Army inventory. Three electrical engineers from Fort Rucker, Larry Martin, Mark Casey, and Paul Nguyen, presented a program at Elba High School Wednesday, April 3. The purpose of the program was to spark interest in students pursuing engineering and science careers and acquaint them with technical areas relating to Army Aviation. Math and science students of Mrs. Adkinson, Mrs. Bailey, Mr.

Co-Op Spotlight



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Whatever... by Whomever

*The Elba Tigers will Play Opp at home on April 24 at 4:00.

*The EHS History team will travel to Andalusia Friday, April 26 to compete in the annual LBW Social Science tournament.

*The EHS English team will travel to Enterprise on Friday, April 26 to compete in the annual ESIC English tournament.

*The prom will be held Saturday, April 27 and will begin at 8:00 p.m.

*The Lady Tigers will play Luvorne here Tuesday, April 30, at 4:00.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Pictured above (l to r) are Paige Hudson, Kenny Hughes, and Jovan Smedley.

by Regina Austin & Kayla Phillips
Brandi Harrison is the daughter of Danny and Sherry Harrison. Her hobbies include swimming, skating, and riding her 4-wheeler. She is a member of FFA and Country Club. Her most embarrassing moment is when she fell down the stairs at school.

Edie Martin is the son of James and Carolyn Martin. His hobbies include playing football and hockey. His most embarrassing moment was when he fell in the lunchroom.

Paige Hudson is the daughter of Phyllis and Terry Hudson. Her hobbies include playing the piccolo and flute for the Elba Tiger Band, talking on the phone, and going to the mall. She is a member of FFA, FFA, SADD, and Girl Scouts. The thing she likes most about EHS is getting to see all of her friends.

Kenny Hughes is the son of Terry and Melissa Hughes. His hobbies include playing football, basketball, and lifting weights. He is a member of Westside Baptist Church.

Jovan Smedley is the son of Marion and Joyce Jones. His hobbies include going to church and sports. He is a member of SADD and FFA. He attends EHS A.M.E. Church. The things he likes most about EHS is the football stadium, gym, and nice facilities.

*** PALS Take Trip ***

It was a cold morning in Elba as the PALS students left for their annual trip to the Montgomery Zoo. The day of March 20 was not only cold in Elba, but even colder in Montgomery. The weather did not, however, stand in the way of the students enjoying the day. There were lots of things to do and see at the zoo. One of the highlights was a ride on the train all around the zoo. This way a visitor can get an overall tour of the entire zoo and then go back for a closer look on their own. After the train ride, the students decided to go see the snakes (they are inside which gave everyone a chance to warm up and get out of the wind). After the snakes, the students saw the birds, the monkeys, the bears, the giraffes, and all the other animals. The major attraction for everyone seemed to be the tigers and especially the one white tiger. After a picnic lunch, it was time to return to Elba. All the students had a great time and enjoyed seeing all the animals.



Pictured above are EHS PALS.

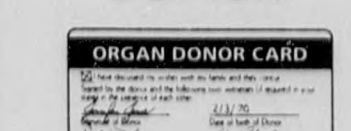
Elba City Schools Menus

April 29 - May 3, 1996

BREAKFAST	LUNCH
Monday - Toast & Jelly or Cereal, Juice, Milk	Monday - Pizza, Corn, Broccoli, Pear Half, Milk
Tuesday - Breakfast Pizza or Cereal, Juice, Milk	Tuesday - Ham, Green Beans, Whole Potatoes, Peach Half, Rolls, Milk
Wednesday - Pancakes w/Syrup or Cereal, Juice, Milk	Wednesday - Steak Fingers, Rice, English Peas, Orange Slice, Rolls, Milk
Thursday - Sausage & Biscuit or Cereal, Juice, Milk	Thursday - Chicken Flet Sandwich, Potato Tots, Field Peas, Apple Sauce, Milk
Friday - Toast & Eggs or Cereal, Juice, Milk	Friday - Taco Salad w/Chips, Shredded Lettuce, Grated Cheese, Corn on Cob, Apple, Milk

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Marsha Tillis Receives Scholarship



Marsha Tillis recently received a chancellor's scholarship from Troy State University. Marsha is a senior at Elba High School and the daughter of Jimmy and Faye Tillis. This is a scholarship for academic excellence and covers full tuition. Marsha plans to attend Troy State University in the fall and later transfer to Auburn University where she plans to major in pharmacy.

Physical Fitness Test Given

by Billie Jo Sanders
Coach Doug Brunson, physical education teacher at Zion Chapel High School, announced that grades 1-12 would have to take a physical fitness test the week of April 15-19.

The test included curl-ups, a shuttle run, v-sit, pull-ups, and running a mile. In the first event, curl-ups, a student lays flat on his back with his knees bent at a ninety-degree angle, his arms crossed over his chest, and his elbows touching his thighs. The second event is the shuttle run. Two erasers are placed at one end opposite of where a student starts, and the student runs down, picks up one eraser, and brings it back to the starting place. The same is done with the other eraser. The third event is the v-sit. For this exercise, a student sits down with his legs straight out and reaches out as far as

he can without bending his knees. The fourth event is pull-ups. A student is tested on how many times he pulls himself up to a bar. The last event is the mile run. The mile run consists of starting at the gym, running past the buses, running around the softball field and baseball field, and then back to the start by running between the band room and the computer lab. This process is then repeated.

The students were timed on each event and will be awarded for their efforts on Honors Day.

ZCHS Teacher Is Outstanding Student

Mrs. Michelle McInnis has been selected to receive the Most Outstanding Student Award for the College of Arts and Science in the area of Physical Sciences at Troy State University-Dothan.

Mrs. McInnis has been teaching physical science at Zion Chapel for the past five years. She recently completed the requirements for her Master's Degree.

The award will be presented to Mrs. McInnis on May 3 at Calvary Baptist Church. The ceremony will begin at 7 p.m.



Pictured above (l-r) are: first row - Laura Williams, Susan Bryan and Pam Johnson; second row - Shelly Nelson, Chris Hixton and Amanda Williams; third row - Amy Jackson, Celeste Richards, Bridget Money, Kendra Ward and Jennifer Jones.

Jazz Band Performs

by Shelly Nelson
The Zion Chapel Jazz Band performed at the American Legion in Elba. They were asked to play by Ms. Joan Hobbs, a teacher at Zion Chapel.

The reason the band played at the Legion was to emphasize April as the month to show off the youth of America. The band played *Stand By Me*, *Bustin' Loose*, *Street Blues*, *Louie Louie*, *They Led My Lord Away*, *Amazing Grace*, *Just A Closer Walk With Thee*. The Jazz Band was also asked to play the ZC fighting song, *Dude*. The German Band performed with the Jazz Band. They played the famous *The Entertainer*. This was their first public performance.

The band members that performed were Amber Shiver, Buddy Maddox, Becki Saville, Shelly Nelson, Morgan Hodge, Teresa Hall, Christina Shuman, Danielle Richards, Tessa Hall, Sarah Maddox, Stacey Cape, Shasta Simmons, Alisha Walker, Chrissa Walker, Selena Shuman, Chastity Weed, Mandi Ellis, and Beth Leverett. Amber, Danielle, Tessa, Beth, Stacey, and Mandi are also members of the German Band.

Before the Jazz Band played, Morgan Hodge sang the national anthem. The members of the American Legion served the band members a covered dish supper before their time to play.

Colorguard & Drum Major Tryouts To Be Held

by Tasha Cooper
Colorguard members and a new drum major will be selected at tryouts that will be held on May 7. There will be three judges for each of the tryouts. Mr. Gary Rudolph, band director, selected a piece of music to be used during tryouts for both colorguard and the drum major.

The candidates trying out for drum major will be judged on ability to give verbal commands, an interview, a directing routine, a marching routine, and teacher recommendations. Persons trying out for colorguard will be judged on basics, group routine, and teacher recommendations. A candidate has to score at least a 70 to be in the colorguard. The colorguard captain has to have had at least one year of colorguard experience and will be judged on personal routine, interview, and teacher recommendations.

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REBEL NEWS

Rachel Bryan, Sponsor

Zion Chapel FBLA Big Winners At Contest

Susan Bryan and Laura Williams, members of the Zion Chapel Chapter of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), FBLA National Leadership Conference this summer in Washington D.C. Susan won first place in Ms.

FBLA, a competition that is centered around finding the most well-rounded business student. Laura won first place in Business Law. Pam Johnson was a third place winner in Business Calculations.



These competitions were held as a part of the Forty-Fifth Annual State Leadership Conference of the Alabama Future Business Leader of America. The Conference was held at the Birmingham Civic Center and the Sheraton Civic Center Hotel in Birmingham, Alabama. Fourteen Zion Chapel members attended the conference accompanied by their sponsor, Mrs. Rachel Bryan, and Mrs. Stacy Spears and Mrs. Chelita Brunson. Those attending were Julie Carter, Kendra Ward, Bridget Money, Heather Vaughn, Chris Hixton, Steve Hodge, Shelly Nelson, Laura Williams, Pam Johnson, Susan Bryan, Jennifer Jones, Celeste Richards, Amy Jackson, and Amanda Williams.

The Chapter won third place in Local Annual Business Report. This is a report of the Chapter's activities for the year. It can be no longer than thirty pages and it is judged on content and format. A certificate of commendation was presented to the Chapter for Outstanding Publicity by the Alabama Business Education Advisory Committee. The Chapter was also presented the Hollis and Kitty Guy Gold Seal Chapter Award of Merit for activities conducted during the year. Zion Chapel had four other competitors at the state competition. Heather Vaughn competed in Machine Transcription, Chris Hixton competed in Computer Applications, Amanda Williams competed in Job Interview, and Jennifer Jones competed in Information Processing. All seven competed with other district finalists.

1996-97 Band Officers Elected

by Amy Jackson & Celeste Richards
The Zion Chapel High School Rebel Band elected new officers to represent the band in the 1996-1997 school year. The election was conducted by secret ballot. The requirements to be a officer included a grade average of at least 80. To be a Captain or a Lieutenant a person must be a junior or a senior. To be a Sergeant or Secretary a person must be in at least the tenth grade. To be a Librarian a

person must be in at least the ninth grade.

The officers for the new year are Band Captain Buddy Maddox and Assistant Band Captain Beth Leverett, Lieutenant Salena Shuman, Sergeant Danielle Richards, Secretary Laura Williams, Librarian Tessa Hall and Stacey Cape, and Representatives Amber Shiver, Chastity Weed and Sarah Maddox. These new officers will begin their duties on June 1, 1996.



Pictured above (l-r) are: first row - Buddy Maddox, Beth Leverett and Salena Shuman; second row - Danielle Richards, Laura Williams and Tessa Hall; third row - Stacey Cape, Amber Shiver, Chastity Weed and Sarah Maddox.

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Shelly Nelson & Kevin Hobbs

Randy Kevin Hobbs and Paula Shelly Nelson were chosen Mr. and Miss Zion Chapel by the high school student body. Candidates for Mr. and Miss Zion Chapel must be members of the senior class. Mr. Zion Chapel Kevin Hobbs is the seventeen-year old son of Joan Hobbs and the late Randy Hobbs. He has one younger sister, Keri. Kevin is a member of FFA, FBLA, and Science Club. He was a member of the football team and is currently a member of the basketball team. He plays shortstop and pitcher. When Kevin was asked what he felt about being selected Miss Zion Chapel, she said, "I am honored to be chosen." Kevin has attended Zion Chapel since his fifth grade for 11 years.

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THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Ball season has started and around the Mularz house that means three things - (1) Eating a lot of sandwiches, (2) Taking a lot of late baths, and (3) Getting a lot of clothes dirty. Last week was kind of the unofficial start of the season, and Melanie slipped down in a mud puddle Tuesday night and then on Thursday night decided to dry off a baseball on her shirt. Items numbers one and two are common place; however, the method used for number three changes almost nightly!

ELBA TIGERS CLAIM AREA 4 BASEBALL TITLE

The Elba Tigers claimed big wins over Luverne and Louisville last week to claim the Class 3A, Area 4 baseball championship, and in doing so earned the right to host the opening round game in this week's high school playoffs. The Tigers slipped last season and failed to win the Area title for one of the few times in recent memory, but aimed toward the key Area 3 match-ups throughout the season and made certain the title came home to Elba after the one-year absence. Elba had an up-and-down season at times as it won games over such powers as G.W. Long and Enterprise, while losing to 1A Zion Chapel and twice to Greenville. The Tigers seem to have settled down in recent games; however, and now appear focused on each and every game they play, as their recent record would indicate. A team that expects to make the playoffs tries to peak at just the right time, and that time may be close by for the Tigers as they get ready for this weekend's playoff opener.

REBELS MAKE HISTORY WITH PLAYOFF BERTH

The Zion Chapel Rebels made school history last week as they claimed wins over McKenzie and New Brockton to claim the runner-up spot in Class 1A, Area 3 and the school's first-ever spot in the high school baseball playoffs. The Rebels had a solid team at the beginning of the season, but lacked the confidence that it takes to win on a consistent basis. As the wins began to pile up and Coach Matt Rodgers built the Rebels into an even better 1A club, that confidence began to grow. When the Rebels beat Elba, the players realized they were indeed a good team, and with the playoffs only a few days away the Rebels are a legitimate contender. No matter what happens from here on out, baseball at Zion Chapel is now a solid sport and one that will get better and better in years to come.

"BAT & BALL BLOW-OUT" IS FOR EVERYONE

The Elba Recreation Department will sponsor its first annual "Bat and Ball Blow-Out" this weekend and every single youth team in the city will take the field on Saturday to begin the 1996 season. The games are scheduled to begin at 9:00 at Hawkins-Williams Park, with competition in Baseball Tee-Ball, Softball Tee-Ball, Coach-Pitch Baseball, Coach-Pitch Softball and Slo-Pitch Softball, while over at Legion Field the day's events will begin at 10:00, with action in Dixie Youth and Dixie Minor Baseball, as well as Babe Ruth Baseball. A total of 26 games are on tap for Saturday, and it should be fun for the players, coaches, families and fans of all the teams. See 'ya there!

Elba Parks & Recreation
BASEBALL & SOFTBALL
SCHEDULES

HAWKINS-WILLIAMS PARK

MEN'S SOFTBALL

Thursday, April 25

(Field #3)

7:15 - Elba Merchants vs. Hairport/Larry's Spur

8:30 - Utility Trailers vs. Bradley's Construction

(Field #2)

7:15 - Elba Blazers vs. Saddle Hill Arabians

Monday, April 29

(Field #3)

7:15 - Elba Merchants vs. Saddle Hill Arabians

8:30 - Nalley's Automotive vs. Elba Blazers

Tuesday, April 30

(Field #3)

7:15 - Nalley's Automotive vs. Bradley's Construction

8:30 - Hairport/Larry's Spur vs. Saddle Hill Arabians

GIRL'S SOFTBALL

Monday, April 29

(Field #2)

6:00 - Dolphins vs. Gators

7:15 - Stingers vs. Dragons

(Field #1)

7:15 - Rattlers vs. Skeeters

Tuesday, April 30

(Field #2)

6:00 - Dolphins vs. River Cats

7:15 - Rockets vs. Stingers

(Field #1)

7:15 - Rattlers vs. Dragons

TEE-BALL

Monday, April 29

(Field #3)

6:00 - Red Sox vs. Angels

Tuesday, April 30

(Field #3)

6:00 - Royals vs. Mets

COACH-PITCH BASEBALL

Monday, April 29

(Field #1)

6:00 - Yankees vs. Brewers

Tuesday, April 30

(Field #1)

6:00 - Indians vs. Cubs

LEGION FIELD

Monday, April 29

(Field #1)

6:00 - Cardinals vs. White Sox

Tuesday, April 30

(Field #1)

6:00 - Athletics vs. Brewers

7:45 - Orioles vs. Expos

BABE RUTH BASEBALL

Monday, April 29

6:00 - Astros vs. Mariners

8:00 - Pirates vs. Rangers

Youth teams to begin season

"Bat & Ball Blow-Out" set for Saturday

The balls will be flying in both baseball and softball on Saturday, April 27, when the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation sponsors its first annual "Bat and Ball Blow-Out" for teams in all youth baseball and softball leagues in the city.



ELBA'S RONALD MCKINNON...and University of North Alabama artist Helen Allman hold a print of "McKinnon's Interception" that is one of a trilogy of prints being sold to honor the UNA Lion's feat of winning three straight national championships. McKinnon and the artist will sign the print on May 4 in Florence.

McKinnon depicted on
"UNA Lions Trilogy"

University of North Alabama art major Helen Allman and two former Lion football players, Israel Rayborn and Ronald McKinnon, will sign prints created by the artist at the Franchise Place, in the Parkway Shopping Center, in Florence, on Saturday, May 4.

Allman, a sophomore from Florence, drew a set of three commemorative paintings, entitled "The UNA Lions Trilogy," depicting important plays from each of the three national championship seasons.

The first print in the series, entitled "Rayborn's Block," shows the then-sophomore defensive end from Huntsville blocking a punt, the play that turned around the national championship game in 1993 for the Lions. The second painting, "McKinnon's Interception," cap-

played at both fields at Legion Field and all three fields at Hawkins-Williams Park during the day, and it should be a fun day for everyone involved.

"We have plans to introduce all the players and coaches prior to the games," added Mularz, "and we hope this grand opening day will really get the players, coaches, parents and fans excited about the total youth sports program offered by the recreation department."

Following is a schedule of the day's events in all eight leagues:

LEGION FIELD	
BABE RUTH BASEBALL	4:00 - Rangers vs. Mariners
	6:00 - Astros vs. Pirates
	8:00 - Marlins vs. Rangers
DIXIE YOUTH BASEBALL	10:00 - Phillies vs. Athletics
	11:45 - White Sox vs. Orioles
	1:30 - Rockies vs. Brewers
	3:15 - Blue Jays vs. Expos
	5:00 - Dodgers vs. Braves
	6:45 - Cardinals vs. Twins

Lady Tiger JV's win three
in Samson JV tournament

The Elba Lady Tiger junior varsity softball team competed in a tournament last Friday in Samson and claimed three wins in five outings to bring home the second place trophy in the four-team event.

Geneva won the tourney, followed in order by Elba, Samson and Headland.

The Elba Lady Tigers pulled ahead in the fifth inning and held on to edge Headland 4-2, in the tourney opener.

Elba managed only one hit in the opening four innings and trailed 2-0, but woke up in the fifth frame and combined two hits with two errors to plate three runs and grab the lead. A single by Vaughn Boyd and a triple by Amber Frederick were key hits in the rally.

The Lady Tigers added an insurance run in the sixth inning without the benefit of a hit to claim the 4-2 win.

Amber Frederick ripped a triple, knocked in two runs and scored a run to lead Elba at the plate.

Elba 4
SAMSON 0

The Elba Lady Tigers scored all their runs in the fourth inning and turned in a stellar defensive performance to blank Samson 4-0.

The score was knotted at 0-0 through three innings; however, Leslie Sunston, and a three-run home-run by Melissa Mularz gave the Lady Tigers all the runs they would need to post the win.

Melissa Mularz got 2 hits, including a three-run homer, and held Samson to only one hit to spark Elba to the win.

GENEVA 12
ELBA 2

The Elba Lady Tigers suffered their first loss of the tournament as they were played in Elba:

ARITON 9
ELBA 2

Ariton pulled ahead early and pulled away late to thump the Elba Lady Tigers 9-2, in the opener.

Ariton scored two runs in the top of the first to grab a quick lead, but Elba cut the lead to 2-1 in the bottom of the inning on an RBI single by Amber Frederick.

Elba added a run in the sixth when Chastity Williams singled and later scored on an error as the Lady Tigers pulled within 4-2; however, Ariton broke loose for five runs in the seventh to pull away with the win.

Marian Smith, Chastity Williams and Bonnie Vaughan all got 2 hits for Elba.

HAWKINS-WILLIAMS PARK

GIRL'S SOFTBALL

(FIELD #2)

9:00 - River Cats vs. Sharks

10:15 - Gators vs. Fighting Ducks

11:30 - Sharks vs. Dolphins

12:45 - Rattlers vs. Stingers

2:00 - Dragons vs. Skeeters

3:15 - Rockets vs. Rattlers

TEE-BALL

(FIELD #1)

9:00 - Red Sox vs. Angels

10:15 - Royals vs. Giants

11:30 - Phillies vs. Mets

12:45 - Royals vs. Phillies

2:00 - Giants vs. Mets

COACH-PITCH

(FIELD #1)

9:00 - Cardinals vs. Cubs

10:15 - Yankees vs. Indians

11:30 - Pirates vs. Brewers

12:45 - Cubs vs. Yankees

2:00 - Indians vs. Pirates

3:15 - Brewers vs. Cardinals

Elba Tigers pound Luverne & Louisville
to win Area 3 baseball championship

The Elba Tigers hit the road for two crucial Area 4 contests last week and made the most out of both trips as they defeated Luverne 10-6 and Louisville 14-0 to claim the Class 3A, Area 3 baseball championship.

Following are highlights of both wins:

LUVERNE 6
ELBA 10

The Elba Tigers rallied with eight runs in the final three innings to claim an exciting 10-6 win over the Luverne Tigers, Tuesday afternoon in Luverne.

** BASEBALL **
CLASS 3A PLAYOFFS
ELBA vs UMS-WRIGHT
SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH
1:00 P.M.
LEGION FIELDZion Chapel wins three,
earns 1A playoff berth

The Zion Chapel Rebels closed out Area 3 competition with three impressive wins last week to earn the runner-up spot in the Class 1A, Area 3 standings, and also make the field for the Class 1A high school baseball playoffs.

"We are excited about making the playoffs for the first time in school history," admitted Coach Matt Rodgers, "but we want to win some games in the playoffs and won't be satisfied unless we play well."

CLASS 1A PLAYOFFS
SATURDAY, APRIL 27
1:00 P.M.
ZION CHAPEL AT
MAPLESVILLE

"We drew Maplesville in the opener," said Rodgers, "and the game is set for Saturday at 1:00 p.m., in Maplesville, and we know we'll have our hands full. Maplesville lost in the 1A finals to G.W. Long last season and is loaded again this year. We know they are thinking state championship, but our players feel like they can beat anyone on any given day, and believe that if we can get by Maplesville we have a shot at going a long way. We aren't going up there just to enjoy the ride, we're going to do our best to win the game and keep the season going."

"Our strengths this season have been our pitching and our hustle," added Rodgers. "We have had excellent pitching from our two senior starters in Steve Hodge and Kevin Hobbs, and the entire team has hustled at every practice and in every game. We may not be the most talented team in the playoffs, but

back and never let up to finish off the double-header sweep with a 15-5 romp.

Elba grabbed a quick 2-0 lead in the bottom of the first behind the hitting of Kendra Vaughan and Chastity Williams, but Ariton answered the early challenge and scored five runs in the second to go on top 5-2.

The Lady Tigers added two runs in the fourth, with the big hit being a single by Leslie Sunston, to pull within 7-4, but Ariton regained command in the fifth with four runs and rolled to the lopsided win.

Wyndy Baker got 3 hits to lead Elba, while Kendra Vaughan, Chastity Williams, Amber Frederick, and Leslie Sunston all added two.

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error off the bat of Todd McKee allowed Dawkins to score, and Smedley and Tyson both raced home when Eddie Cowen ripped a double.

The Tigers continued to swing hot bats in the sixth inning and plated four runs to take a commanding 9-4 advantage.

A lead-off single by Josh Mack ignited the sixth inning fireworks, while a single by Griffin Shirley and a walk to Leray Smedley filled the bases with Tigers. Derek Marler drove in two runs with a single. Chris Tyson collected an RBI with a sacrifice fly, and Todd McKee knocked in one run with a base hit as Elba took charge of the key area clash!

Luverne scored two runs in the bottom of the sixth to pull within 9-6, but back-to-back doubles by Jason Smith and Griffin Shirley added one run to the Elba lead in the seventh, and the Tigers held on for the 10-6 win.

Chris Tyson led Griffin Shirley with two hits to lead Elba at the plate, while Jody Johnson picked seven innings, allowed 8 hits and fanned 4 batters to get the win.

LUVERNE 6
ELBA 10

The Elba Tigers broke open a close game in the fifth inning to bury the Louisville Red Devils 14-0, Thursday afternoon in Louisville.

The Tigers jumped out to a quick 3-0 lead in the opening inning as Leray Smedley opened with a base hit, stole second, and later moved up to third when he and Derek Marler pulled off a double-steal. Chris Tyson followed with a double to knock in both base-runners, and Tyson later scored on a fielder's choice to give the Tigers the 3-0 lead.

Eddie Cowen and Jason Smith singled in the third inning and later scored on a single by Griffin Shirley as Elba increased its lead to 5-0, and the Tigers exploded for nine runs in the fifth to put the win in the bag!

The Tigers combined three hits with six walks to score the nine runs, with the big hit being a grand slam by Chris Tyson. Griffin Shirley and Eddie Cowen also got hits and collected two RBIs each.

Chris Tyson got 2 hits, scored three runs and knocked in six runs to lead Elba at the plate, while Griffin Shirley added 3 hits and stole three bases. Josh Dawkins got the win on the mound as he pitched five innings, allowed two hits and struck-out 11 batters.

STEVE HODGE 11
NEW BROCKTON 0

The Zion Chapel Rebels wrapped up their first playoff berth in school history Thursday afternoon when they clubbed the New Brockton Gamecocks 11-0, in a game stopped after five innings.

Kevin Hobbs tossed a 1-hitter and struck-out 10 batters to get the win, while Shane Bragg got 3 hits to lead the Rebels at the plate. Steve Hodge and Kevin Hobbs added 2 hits apiece, while Toby Bragg ripped a 3-run homer.



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TOURNAMENT
TIME

*MAY 3-4...A fund raiser softball tournament for the Relay For Life American Cancer Society will be held on May 3-4 at Hawkins-Williams Park, in Elba.

The tournament, to be hosted by Strickland Masonry, Team #53, will be for Men's Class B and Men's Class C teams, with an entry fee of \$125. Trophies will go to the Top 3 teams in both divisions, with T-shirts to the winning team.

For more information, call Michelle Strickland at 334-347-0286 (night) or 334-393-6711 (day).

*MAY 10-11...The second annual Powerade Classic will be held on May 10-11 at the Troy Sportsplex. Competition will be for Men's Class C, Men's D, and Women's Class C and Below.

Entry deadline is May 8 at 3:00 p.m., and the entry fee is \$100 per team.

For more information, contact Robby Carter at 334-670-6051.

*MAY 17-18...The first annual Jab's Sporting Goods NSA Youth Classic will be held on May 17-18, at the Troy Sportsplex.

Competition will be for girls teams ages 10 and Under, 12 and Under, 14 and Under, 16 and Under and 19 and Under.

Entry fee is \$110 per team and the deadline to enter is May 15 at 3:00 p.m.

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to get together and schedule a time which would be convenient for all concerned.

Gill then asked if the motion was for immediate termination and a post termination hearing? Council member Brad Wilson said that the wording of the motion by Mr. Carpenter was for immediate termination.

Wilson then explained to the attorney that the council wanted Peacock's badge and beeper before he left the meeting.

Peacock's attorney then told the council members the hearing was supposed to be before the termination, according to the Constitution and Code of Alabama.

City Clerk Henry Clark asked if Peacock's pay was terminated at this time. Haywood indicated the council needed to make a determination on this and McCollough made a motion the pay would end at the same time as the termination. Wilson seconded.

Haywood and council member Gladys Yelverton abstained, however there were four votes for immediate termination of pay.

Peacock had been on the job since September 22, 1995. The retired Army officer came to Elba from the Hartford Police Department, where he was working as a patrolman. He is a native of Enterprise.

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Police Department. His father, Tony Alcuri, resides in the Frisco-Renton area.

After a brief discussion on the matter, the commissioners decided to table the matter. Commissioners Bill Faulk and Stephens noted that they remembered that several years ago the commission enacted the policy of not naming bridges and roads after individuals. An attempt will be made to "find a record" of this policy.

County Engineer Randy Tindell, in his report to the commission, stated that the resurfacing projects on Co. Rd. 364/Taylor Mill Road and Co. Rd. 617 were 95 percent complete.

He told commissioners that the bridge construction on Co. Rd. 156 is only 10 percent complete. The grade-drainage project on Co. Rd. 455 & 467 is 40 percent completed.

Tindell presented proposed sites to be considered by the commissioners for the summer work program. In doing so, he noted that there are more projects than there is money available.

The cost to do all the projects on the on-system roads is estimated at \$1,715,197.00. Tindell noted that approximately \$515,000 will be made available from revenue sources.

Commissioners will study the projects presented by Tindell and select the "worst ones" to be fixed. The projects are rated on a scale of 1 to 10 with 1 being the worst. Also, an average daily traffic count is noted on each project.

Other items of business addressed by the commission were:

***Voted to reject all previous bids submitted on the window replacement at the Elba Courthouse. Specifications will be re-written and bid requests sent out. They will be opened by the architects on Thursday, May 2, at 10:00 a.m.

***Approved the landfill committee's recommendation to extend credit to Wiregrass Construction for use of the county's landfill.

***Awarded the bid for printing and distribution of the voters' list to The Enterprise Ledger. Their bid was \$6,792.00. The Southeast Sun submitted a low bid of \$5,965.00, but later withdrew it from consideration.

***Voted to apply for industrial access funds to pave Co. Rd. 446. The dirt road has 7 dwellings and 4 chicken houses located on it.

SEAT

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complished over the past ten years in District 3, and stated, "I appreciate the support of the citizens of District 3 during the past years, and with their continued support in the upcoming election, I am confident that even better days are ahead."

"We have seen six new bridges built in District 3," reported Stephens. "Roads have, and are being resurfaced. They have received constant improvements to insure all roads are passable even in the worst of weather conditions," he added.

Stephens noted that in the past ten years, a modern jail has been constructed in New Brockton with the old facility in Elba being donated to the city, a beautiful new Central Office has been built in Elba by the Coffee County BOE, and adult day-care centers for the county's senior citizens have been opened in Elba and Enterprise.

"I am extremely proud that we have been able to obtain funding to place a Senior Citizens Center in

Kinston," said Stephens. "The center has been open for four years and is serving more than 100 residents in Kinston and the surrounding area."

He also commented that he was proud that the county was able to assist the people of Kinston in constructing a recreation park which is actively being used by the townspeople.

Stephens noted, "Work on the Teel Creek Road is nearing completion and the road should be paved this summer."

He also mentioned that the project of microfilming of all county records is nearing completion, and these microfilm will be placed in two separate locations to insure the county will never again have to go through the horrors it faced after the flood of 1990.

"The records stored at the courthouse are the very life of the county and its residents and must always be there for the present and future generations," said Stephens.

RELAY

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Teams of walkers from businesses, hospitals, schools, churches, civic organizations and groups of friends participate in the 12-hour event.

The teams are encouraged to stay at the track, camping out in either tents, motor homes/campers or sleeping bags. At least one participant from each team is on the track at all times.

There will be prizes for everyone raising money and for teams and individuals raising the most money. It is not too late to sign up a team

and walk for the American Cancer Society. In fact, there are already over 50 teams signed up to participate in this year's event.

Candlelight Walk and Luminary Lighting - will be held in memory of those who have been lost to cancer. It will also honor those individuals who have had or now have cancer.

For more information on how to form a team or assist in this project, contact LaWanda Grill, chairperson, at 347-0048 or 393-6848.

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Year Ago (Actual)..... 24

OPP MARKET
Cattle & Calves
Saleable Receipts (Est.)..... 475
Week Ago (Actual)..... 352
Year Ago (Actual)..... 875

BREAKDOWN

HOGS (ELBA MKT ONLY): Compared to week ago, Barrows & Gilts: Steady 75 Higher, US 1-3, 210-230 lbs, 47.00-47.50; 230-250 lbs, 47.00-47.75; Sows: Steady 1.00 Higher, US 1-3, 300-400 lbs, 22.00-27.00; 400-500 lbs, 28.00-34.00; 500 lbs & Up, 33.50-35.00; Feeder Pigs: 4.00-6.00 Higher, US 1-3, 25-30 lbs, 44.00-57.00; 50-80 lbs, 41.00-50.50; US 2-3, 80-100 lbs, 37.00-40.00; 100-125 lbs, 36.00-39.00; Boars: Steady, Over 300 lbs, 16.00-18.00; Under 300 lbs, Unlisted. CATTLE & CALVES (OPP MKT ONLY): Compared to week ago: Slaughter Cows: 2.00 Lower; Bulls: Too Few; Feeder Classes: Steers: 2.00-4.00 Lower; Heifers: 1.00-3.00 Lower; Replacement or Feeder: Too Few. SLAUGHTER CLASSES: Cows: Bk, Uty 2-3, 24.25-31.00; Bon Uty 1-3, 27.50-31.50; HY 32.00-33.00; Cut 1-3, 24.00-27.00; Can/Lo-Cut 1-2, 21.00-23.75; Bulls: YG 1-2, 15.00-20.00 lbs, 36.00-38.50; HY, 40.50. FEEDER CLASSES: STEERS: Med & Lge 1, 300-350 lbs, 51.00-56.00; 350-400 lbs, 50.00-55.00; 400-450 lbs, 47.00-53.00; 650-700 lbs, 41.00-46.50; Med & Lge 2, 450-450 lbs, 41.00-46.00; 450-500 lbs, 37.50-44.00; 500-550 lbs, 35.00-40.00. HEIFERS: Med & Lge 1, 300-350 lbs, 41.00-45.00; 350-400 lbs, 37.00-43.00; 400-450 lbs, 36.50-42.50; 450-500 lbs, 36.00-42.00; 500-550 lbs, 37.00-42.00; 550-600 lbs, 37.50-42.50; Med & Lge 2, 300-350 lbs, 33.00-38.00; 350-400 lbs, 32.00-37.00; 500-550 lbs, 30.00-34.00. COWS REPLACEMENT and/or FEEDERS: Med 1-2, 900-1100 lbs Cows, 3-7 Yrs, 31.00-36.50. COW & CALF PAIRS: Med 1-2, 900-1100 lbs Cows w/75-200 lbs Calves, 300.00-400.00; Sml 1-2, 700-900 lbs Cows w/75-200 lbs Calves, 200.00-340.00; Med 1-2, 900-1100 lbs Cows w/200-300 lbs Calves, 350.00-460.00. BRED COWS: Too Few.

Homecoming at Mt. Gilead set for April 28th

The Mt. Gilead Baptist Church of Rt. 3, Elba, AL, will have their homecoming on Sunday, April 28. Rev. J.J. Hattaway will be the speaker. Lunch will be served in the fellowship hall. The Davis Brothers from Ino will sing in the afternoon.

DAR to meet

The John Coffee Chapter of Daughters of American Revolution will meet Thursday, April 25, 1996 at the home of Pat Howard in Enterprise. Please plan to attend this last meeting of the year.

SHARE YOUR
VIEWS!
WRITE A
LETTER TO
THE EDITOR!



MAST HELICOPTER VISITS ELBA SCOUTS A MAST helicopter from Ft. Rucker was in Elba Saturday morning showing members of the Tiger Cub Scouts details of the medical evacuation equipment. Elba City Council member Earl McCollough, who works at Ft. Rucker and with the military crews at MAST, arranged the visit. Standing by when the helicopter landed in the parking lot of the old high school were two units of the Elba Fire Department and a police car. The Tiger Scouts were joined for the demonstration by interested friends and family members.

In the picture above the flight commander of the Huey helicopter is introducing the other professional members of the emergency medical team.

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Everyone at the Elba Adult Day Care Center is getting ready to board their bus for one of their many one day outings supervised by the center's staff. Today is a trip to the Adult Day Care Center in Slocumb for lunch and a social visit. Their next planned trip will be to Shoney's in Enterprise for lunch. For more information concerning enrollment at the Adult Day Care Center, open to people of all ages, please call 897-3151, and ask for Lee Edwards.

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